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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of:

Yuji YAMAMOTO et al.

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For: PHOTOGRAPH PRINTING DEVICE, ELECTRONIC IMAGE INPUT DEVICE, FILM SCANNER, SCRATCH RECOGNITION METHOD, MEMORY MEDIUM RECORDING SCRATCH RECOGNITION PROGRAM, AND IMAGE RESTORATION METHOD

SECOND PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Before examination of the above-identified application, please amend the application as follows:

IN THE ABSTRACT:

Please DELETE the Abstract in its entirety and substitute the attached new Abstract.

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please AMEND the paragraph beginning at page 36 line 7, as follows:

b2 When lit with a constant brightness, a ratio among the illumination times of the LEDs 11R, 11G, and 11B is set, in consideration of the photosensitivity of the photographic paper 8 to each color, to, for example, LED 11B : LED 11G : LED 11R = 1:2:X, where X is in a range including 5 and 6. By illuminating the LEDs 11R, 11G, and 11B at such a ratio, red light, which is most prone to insufficient light quantity, can be supplemented, and good printing processing can be performed.